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## NOTICE

**Inter-Collegiate Debate, Howard versus Wilberforce, Monday night, May 3, 1908, at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. Admission 25 cents.**

### Howard Defeats Lincoln in Debate

On Friday night, April 23rd, Howard University marshalled her forces in the persons of Messrs W. A. Love, J. S. Butts, and B. L. Marchant, against the debating team of Lincoln University at the Sharp Street Church, Baltimore, to decide the question, "Resolved: That women should have the Right to vote on the same terms as Men." The affirmative side of the question was argued by Lincoln while Howard's men proceeded to tear it down as they upheld the negative. This was the second time the two schools have locked horns on the rostrum, they having met in the year 1899, and the second time victory has perched upon our banners while defeat has chosen to retreat to the camps of the preachers.

#### GREAT DEMONSTRATIONS

In the church those who rallied around the flag of the laymen were gathered on the right side while the theologs claimee the support of all who took their stand in the middle section or on the left wing. About eight o'clock, penants were raised and the two sides sent up cheers for their teams and their opponents. About 8:30 the presiding officer announced the contest

on, and great volumes of cheers were sent up from both sides. Each speaker was cheered by both sides as he mounted the rostrum and good points made by either side got their full quota of applause from both sides of the House.

#### HOWARD EASILY THE WINNER

From the time Wm. Love, our first speaker, took the platform there was little doubt about who had the decision. The Howard team admitted all that Lincoln had come to argue and left them to paw at the wind. Mr. Love, in his opening statement admitted all that could be claimed for woman's intellectual capacities and all that might be claimed for her good works, also her abstract right to exercise the votive franchise and proceeded to argue the question of the basis of expediency and the good of society. This line of argument was followed by all the Howard men with telling effect. While Lincoln only spent her time in establishing the ability of woman and her good works. In presentation too, Howard was easily the superior, for Lincoln's arguments were very poorly constructed, their machinery being in no wise used so as to emphasize and drive their points home. W. D. Cooper was the tower of strength for Lincoln, while if there might be chosen a best man for Howard, Jonathan S. Butts would probably bear the honors. The machinery of his argument was perfect, his delivery excellent, and his handling of the argument on taxation was superb.

#### SUMMARY OF THE ARGUMENTS

Jackson, the first speaker on the affirmative, speaking for Lincoln, argued

Women should have the right to vote on equal terms with men (1) because it

is fair and right, in that women composes a part of society equal to that of man, in that she can only obtain her rights through the ballot, in that only through the exercise of the ballot can she be developed to her fullest capabilities. (2) Because women are not now supported by men but are earning their own livings and without the ballot is unable to get a square deal in the world of industry. (3) Because women and men are so different in tastes that man can not legislate justly for woman. (4) Because woman have equal civil rights of contract and action with men. (5) Because women are subject to taxation equally with men.



W. A. Love, first speaker on the negative, argued:

That justice does not demand that woman should vote on the same terms as men (1) because the essence of democracy is not that every one should vote independently of qualifications, but that there is a sovereign people, not a monarchical power, who shall decide what persons may vote and under what restrictions. (2) Because taxation is not the price of suffrage. (3) Because the ballot is not granted to an individual merely for his own benefit, but for the benefit of society, the protection of the state. (4) Because it is unjust to thrust upon all women a duty and a responsibility which an overwhelming majority of them do not desire.

R. A. Rice, second speaker on the affirmative, argued:

That woman has the ability, because of equal mental capacity; because they have demonstrated it as rulers, missionaries and educators; because great numbers of them hold college degrees

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## Congratulations from an Alumni

MR. B. H. JUNIOR:

Kind Sir and Friend—I've just received your kind card, announcing Howard's victory over Lincoln. There is but one thing that I could have preferred to this, and that is that the vanquished could have been Shaw instead.

Bear my most hearty congratulations to the Debating Club as such, and my special congratulations to the disputants who brought Dear Howard this noble glory. Now beat Shaw on the rostrum and Lincoln on the grid iron and once more "my heart will be content."

Remember me kindly to all the girls and boys whom I might know and accept many thanks and best wishes to self.

As ever yours, C. E. SMITH  
University of Chicago.

## The Eureka

The Eureka was addressed by Prof. E. P. Davis Friday April 30, which was well attended.

The Preps are looking forward to the Annual debate May 7. with much anxiety. The subject to be discussed is: Resolved, that a monarchy like Great Britain is a better form of government than that of the United States.

The Paenae Class will be represented by Mr. Brooks, winner of the junior competitive debate. Much is expected by his class from his great eloquence and clear ringing voice.

Mr. W. R. Pollard, again representing the Submiddle Class, is the general favorite as he made the contest doubtful last year. He is an excellent debator, possessing all the qualities of an orator.

Mr. B. H. Quarels represents the Middle Class. He is capable of producing a good argument and uses excellent rhetoric. He is expected to be the hero of the evening.

The Senior Class will be represented by Mr. J. E. Rose, the pitch fork orator of the Eureka. He will do justice to his title and bids fair to bring home the bacon.

Prof. Kelly Miller will be Dean of Judges.

A prize will be given to the young lady selling the most tickets. Misses Smith, Adams, Green and West are contesting.

Seldom seen now and never heard—J. B.

## In Memory of Arthur Makanya

WHEREAS in the dispensation of Providence our beloved friend and classmate, Arthur Makanya, has been removed from our midst by death:—

Be it resolved that we, the members of the Senior Class, of the Academy of Howard University, do hereby express our appreciation of the commendable life of the deceased; our deep sorrow for his early death; and our heartfelt sympathy for his bereaved father and friends; and

Whereas, coming as a stranger among us, he so deported himself as to win not only the affection of his immediate classmates and teachers, but the high esteem of the University at large;

Be it further resolved that in his death we have sustained great loss, and yet, though that loss be great, we can testify from his dying words that the goodness of his triumph far exceeds the measure of that loss.

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## A Card of Thanks

The faculty and the senior class of the Academy feel deeply grateful to all those who in any way contributed during his illness, to the personal comfort of Arthur Makanya and helped to defray the expenses incident upon his burial.

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## HOWARD-LINCOLN DEBATE

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because girls are showing better scholarship in the schools. That the present system puts woman to disadvantage. That women are better morally than men, as fewer are prisoners, fewer paupers, and greater number of church members. That women are treated unjustly under the present system, because she is taxed equally with men and have no representation in legislation; because they are unable to command equal pay for equal services in the industrial world. That woman should have the ballot because she is weaker than man that she might defend herself against him. That the present condition of female subjugation would work badly upon the disposition and temperament of coming generations.



J. S. Butts, second speaker on the negative, argued:

(1) That suffrage is granted for the most part from considerations of expediency, since it is now and has always been regulated by certain conditions, qualifications, and restrictions. (2) That women are without power to enforce laws which their numerical strength might enable them to make in opposition to the views of men by whom alone the laws must be enforced. (3) That if the number of voters be doubled the densely populated and older states would have an unwieldy electorate

which in turn would impair our electoral efficiency. (4) that the past experience with woman suffrage does not argue for its extension, in as-much-as the experience of the states which have adopted it is of dubious volume, and the policy itself is constantly being defeated by the opposition or indifference of the majority of both men and women.

W. D. Cooper, third speaker on the affirmative, argued:

That woman is fiore in sympathy with the great moral movements of the day, because of her very nature; because she is better acquainted with them; and because she is more in touch with the home life which circumstance brings her more in touch with these movements. That the trial at giving woman the ballot in New Zealand, Australia, and our western states is successful, because she used her ballot for the humane movements,—for instance, Colorado where the child labor laws are acknowledged to be the best in the country. That woman, as voter, would raise the moral tone of political life. That woman does want the ballot because 83 percent of the women of New Zealand vote while only 84 percent of the men vote. That woman's weakness is the strongest argument in favor of her having the ballot.



B. L. Marchant, third speaker on the negative argued:

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that they differ not as individuals but in sex and differing in sex were different organisms, compelled by their sexual differences to perform distinct functions, which functions for the good of the whole, must be in accordance with their physical and psychical conditions. (2) That society is a living organism, and in accordance with the biological law, that the more highly developed an organism the more highly specialized are its distinctive qualities and the more perfectly differentiated are the peculiar functions of its distinctive parts, civilization, which is the natural developer of society, must develop the distinctive functions of men and women. (3) That in accordance with the biological law that as the cell increases its functional activity decreases, woman on entering politics enlarges her functional activity and thereby decreases her formative powers. (4) That in making men and women competitors, rivals, and opponents, instead of helpmates and companions; you destroy the unity of the family, and when the family is attacked; society is undermined and the state destroyed.

### Pestalozzi-Froebel

On last Thursday afternoon, the Book Lovers, the oldest women's club in the District, furnished a most excellent Phyllis Wheatley program before the Pestalozzi-Froebel Society. This program was not only instructive in the nature and execution of the individual members, but was rendered particularly so because of the remarkable personality and reputation of the participants.

Mrs. J. B. Bruce, widow of the late Senator Bruce, presided at the meeting. The paper, "Scenes in the life of Phyllis Wheatley," by Mrs. V. C. Baker, an assistant in the Library of Congress, was a masterpiece of its kind and a valuable aid in understanding the life of this comparatively unknown Negro girl. Mrs. G. B. Francis read an excellent paper on "Contemporaries of Phyllis Wheatley" and Mrs. L. J. Moss read the Washington Letter and Reply. Mrs. C. F. Cook, a graduate of Emerson School of Oratory, interpreted in a masterly way some of the choicest of Phyllis Wheatley's poems.

Mrs. R. E. Lawson, an organizer of the W. C. T. U., explained Phyllis Wheatley's place in the world of letters. Mrs. M. E. Hilmyer, at the piano, executed with much expression, Coleridge-Taylor's "Deep River."

More music for the occasion was furnished by the University Glee Club, under the direction of Prof. A. H. Brown. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Bruce, on behalf of the Book Lovers, presented the Society with an enlarged copy of a rare photo of Phyllis Wheatley.

### The Y. M. C. A.

Special notice is called to the Y. M. C. A. next Sunday. Mr. O. M. Randolph, editor of the "Washington American," will deliver an address on "The New Negro and the Old Religion." Mr. Randolph is a graduate of Howard Law School and has made wonderful progress since his graduation. We feel safe in saying that he will bring us a God-sent message.

Last Sunday we were favored with two excellent papers by Mr. C. E. Roberts and Mr. C. E. Lucas. Each made a plea for a more practical Christian life in Howard Y. M. C. A. In the last half hour Dr. Parks gave an able and inspiring lecture to the personal workers who are using Mr. Henry Clay Trumble's book, "Taking Men Alive," as a guide. We feel that Dr. Parks is with us "in deed and in truth." We wish other members of the faculty could be with us more often.

### A Tale with a Moral

The social editor while seated in Miner Hall the other afternoon overheard the following conversation:

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## Personal

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Miss Jimmie Bugg has decided to "Steele" away into the city for the rest of the year.

Miss Lucy D. Slowe, Col. '08, teacher in the High School, Baltimore, was on a visit to the University last week, also inspecting methods in teaching in the District.

Mr. E. P. Davis, "the terror of the Paenes," stopped long enough one day last week to take a casual glance at a tennis game.

Reggie Beaman has been in "Mourning" for the last week or more. Now he believes that "man was made to mourn."

Mr. Daniel W. Bowles has established a "bowling alley" of his own in the city. He does business on Sundays only.

A six weeks' compulsory course in "Rubber Heels and Leather Belts" will be introduced in the undergraduate school next year. Admission to ladies only.

A certain senior college man made an appointment to take a certain city queen to the Council of Upper Classmen's dance, but lo and behold, when he arrived that night all spruced and primed to make the hit of his life; he found that the bird had flown the coop. She left a note to the effect that she could not keep her engagement as she had to go down town to get married. No, she did not belong to the "Flagg" family.

Mr. Addison N. Scurlock, Howard University most popular photographer, left last week for Fiske University where he is to do the work for the senior classes, faculty and undergraduates. Efficiency always counts.

Mr. J. D. Brown "Slowed" in from Baltimore about Monday morning from the debate which he attended on Friday night, 23rd.

## Cricket

The first cricket match on the campus in the history of the University took place on Saturday, the 24th inst., between the Atlantic City Cricket Club and the University team. In view of the fact that a real cricket game was to take place on that day, the student body and their friends turned out in large numbers to witness the event. The day was an ideal one for the occasion, the only disadvantage being the softened condition of the pitch due to heavy rains on the previous day.

Precisely at 1 o'clock, the coin was tossed and was called correctly by Capt. Hutchinson of the visiting team, who decided to send in the home team to bat on account of the uncertain state of the wicket. Roberts and Overton opened up for the home team against the bowling of the two brothers, Hutchinson.

Roberts was clean bowled after scoring one run, and was quickly followed in the same manner by Wilson and Jordan. Barrett then partnered Overton, who, all the while was playing a magnificent game, and the score began to go up quickly. Both players collared the bowling and were scoring freely when Barrett misjudged one of Hutchinson's tricky deliveries and was clean bowled for 15 runs. Overton followed soon after registering 21 runs. This was the partnership of the day and both players were heartily applauded. Watson was the only other player of the home team who subsequently did any scoring and he made 8 not out. The innings for the University closed for 63 runs.

The visitors then went to the bat, but appeared to have been completely demoralized by the bowling of Overton and Milliard. Wicket after wicket fell amid loud cheers from the spectators. Barnett and Calendar then got together and stopped the rot temporarily, but Rance was put on to bowl in Milliard's place and he soon broke the combination up. Barnett

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played the best game of the visitors, scoring 18 runs in good style. The visitors' innings closed for 41 runs, 22 runs behind the total of the home team.

The Howardites again went to the bat, and thanks to the splendid exhibition of Jordan who scored 27, registered a total of 65 runs for their second innngs. The Atlantics at the close of play had only registered 13 runs for the loss of three men; the game was therefore decided on the first innings, leaving the Howardites victorious in a well fought game by 22 runs.

The Atlantic City team thus met its first defeat in the history of its organization, at the hands of a bunch of youngsters who played gamely from start to finish. The record held by the visiting team is an enviable one, holding practically the championship of the north, after having overwhelmingly defeated Philadelphia a few weeks ago. The Howard team played good cricket from start to finish.

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